GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR PROTECTION OF FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra is facing difficulty in protecting the forests due to non-availability of sufficient funds;

(b) if so, the reasons for not providing sufficient funds to them;

(c) whether the funds granted have reached late in the current year;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action proposed/taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (e) Under the Centrally Sponsored Integrated Forest Protection Scheme, financial assistance is being provided to State Governments for taking up activities related to forest protection. The State Government of Maharashtra has not fully utilized the funds released during the period 2003-04 and 2004-05